GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5327
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TOURIST CENTRES
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of tourist centres in the country which were visited by maximum number of domestic and foreign tourists during each of the last three years;

(b) the total foreign exchange and Indian revenue earned therefrom; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to boost tourism at these tourist centres?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): Statistics of flow of tourists to different tourist centres in the country is not available. However, a statement indicating the number of visits of domestic and foreign tourists in different States/Union Territories during the last three years is at Annexure.

(b): The foreign exchange earned through tourism during the years 2000, 2001 and 2002 are Rs.14,238/- crores, Rs.14,344/- crores and Rs.14,420 crores respectively. The information on revenue earned from the tourism sector as a whole is not available.

(c): A series of measures to develop infrastructure with emphasis on integrated circuits, creating cultural and tourism hubs and converging elements of tourism, culture and civic governance have been initiated by the Department of Tourism, Govt. of India.

ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5327 ANSWERED ON 28.4 REGARDING TOURIST CENTRES.

	2000		2001		2002	
State/U.T.	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign	Domestic	Foreign
Andhra Pradesh	47998204	78713	52533647	67147	60487370	210310
Arunachal Pradesh	9932	2044	6349	323	3236@	175@
Assam	891433	5954	1010651	6171	2833042@	4262@
Bihar	5520589	73321	6061168	85673	2755154@	164098@
Goa	976804	291709	1047342	260071	1325296	271645
Gujarat	11408281	31748	8272969	30930	5735286	34187
Haryana	260442	1113	276287	898	6426763	85281
Himachal Pradesh	4571129	111191	5211772	135760	4958917	144383
Jammu & Kashmir	5393463	19400	5246948	21298	4578404	8269
Karnatka	18000000	208000	14117464	140703	8678170	59545
Kerala	5013221	209933	5240009	208830	5568256	232564
Madhya Pradesh	4796133	111036	5048851	107824	6487773@	111813@
Maharashtra @	8297158	1075169	8479695	915399	10896408	949269
Manipur	105167	429	76527	183	89633	221
Meghalya	169929	2327	178697	2390	268609	3146
Mizoram	28221	235	28771	152	29417	259
Nagaland	13272	451	9948	920	15973	1200
Orissa	2888392	23723	3109976	22854	3289205	23279
Punjab	385682	3854	474305	3258	305977@	8975@
Rajasthan	7374391	623100	7757217	608283	8300190	428437
Sikkim	143105	10409	203306	31028	159342	8566
Tamil Nadu	22982262	785876	23812043	773073	41274392	804641
Tripura	231902	0	254912	0	185411@	0
Uttranchal			9551669	44429	11818221	55762
Uttar Pradesh	64830000	848000	68071000	795000	73067000	109464
Chattisgarh			N.A	N.A	NA	NA
Jharkhand			353177	2979	313134	2244
West Bengal	4737112	197061	4943097	284092	8503573@	531335@

Andaman & Nicobar	85300	3156	84064	5539	49784@	5101@
Chandigarh	486355	14612	482133	15203	549566@	952@
Daman & Diu	74172	8330	580322	10290	595449	6569
Delhi@	1497890	1127950	1324636	830092	1228059	543036
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	408639	223	452000	400	580820@	415@
Lakshdeep	1087	597	3501	2115	4783 27@	18585@
Total	220106941	5893542	234781257	5433957	271840337@	4828624@

@ Estimated